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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	§	
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Ruths et al.	§	Group No.: 2124
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Serial No.: 09/749,203	§	Examiner: Insun Kang
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Filed: December 27, 2000	§	
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Invention: Method of Manipulating a	§	
Distributed System of Computer-	§	
Implemented Objects	Ş	

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In response to the Office Action, Applicants submit this response and respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's objections and rejections.